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Applicant <b>LG ELECTRONICS, INC. et al</b>		

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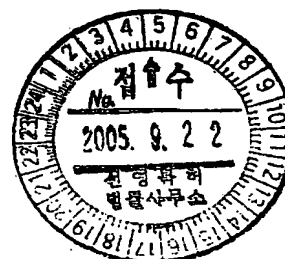
2. ☐ Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box No. II)

3. ☐ Unity of invention is lacking (See Box No. III)

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**A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER****IPC7 A47L 15/42**

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

**B. FIELDS SEARCHED**

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

IPC7 B08B, A47L 15/00, 15/22, 15/42, 15/46, 15/48

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Korean Patents and applications for inventions since 1975

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**C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT**

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X	US 3963046 A (Richard P. Bergeson) 15 June 1976 see abstract; figure 3; column 5, line 22-49	1-17
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